

MEETING RECORD

NAME OF GROUP: HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING: Thursday, August 19, 2004, 1:30 p.m., Conference Room 106, First Floor, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jerry Berggren, Tim Francis, Bruce Helwig, Jim McKee, Bob Ripley and Terry Young; (Carol Walker absent). Ed Zimmer and Teresa McKinstry of the Planning Department; and other interested citizens.

STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING: Regular Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Chair Bob Ripley called the meeting to order and requested a motion approving the minutes for the regular meeting held July 15, 2004. Motion for approval made by McKee, seconded by Francis. Motion for approval carried 6-0: Berggren, Francis, Helwig, McKee, Ripley and Young voting 'yes'; Walker absent.

The opportunity was given for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission. No one appeared.

APPLICATION BY DARRELL IHDE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AT 4943 LEIGHTON AVENUE IN THE C.F. CREIGHTON LANDMARK DISTRICT

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Members present: Berggren, Francis, Helwig, McKee, Ripley and Young; Walker absent.

Darrell Ihde stated he believes he has addressed the porch with the new plans submitted. The garage is a concern. They would really like to have a garage off the alley. To get 1.7 stalls as required by codes, access must be off 50th St. This isn't what they wanted. They are going to do vinyl siding.

Larry Zink stated that the University Place Community Organization Board met and discussed this application. The decision was that they had no opposition. There was a preference to have a wraparound porch.

Helwig wondered about the air conditioners. Mr. Ihde replied that they will be on the west side.

Mr. Ihde noted that they haven't decided on the colors yet. They are leaning toward a light gray with white trim and possibly burgundy shutters. Landscaping will also soften the look.

Berggren wondered about the roof layout. The overhang over the 2nd unit is further to the north. This would shorten the length of the porch roof. That might help lower the height of the porch roof as seen from the Leighton elevation. Berggren thinks the applicant has done a wonderful job with the front porch.

ACTION:

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McKee moved approval, seconded by Berggren. Motion for approval carried 6-0: Berggren, Francis, Helwig, McKee, Ripley and Young voting 'yes'; Walker absent.

DISCUSSION:

- Ed Zimmer noted that the Commissioners might remember the Creamery paint job from last month's meeting. The applicant submitted a drawing to Mr. Zimmer that he found met the criteria outlined at the last meeting by the Commissioners.
- Mr. Zimmer is working on some pending National Register nominations. The James House bungalow at 28th & "N" is one.
- Mr. Zimmer requested some input on 1943 "K" Street. Fernando Pages owns this property. It has been used for years as a duplex and the owner has approval of the Capitol Environs Commission for a new duplex on this property. He has raised the question of putting his office there for Brighton Construction. The existing house was built about 1900 with a small grocery store built by Ed's great grandfather. It is not a great architectural wonder, but a good example of an early building type—the neighborhood grocery. The question is do we want to landmark a building type?

Ripley believes as a building type, this is very appropriate. He thinks there is a building on 33rd St. that was an early grocery store. Mr. Zimmer would try to collect a dozen or so examples of this building type. Ripley thinks this is a nice idea since this is something that has gone out of popularity. Examples of historic prototypes of these businesses should be preserved.

Berggren questioned if the type could be expanded. Perhaps a residence with a barber shop attached? Ripley noted there is a house with a florist shop attached. Mr. Zimmer would get feedback from the Commission on the properties included.

Francis likes the idea that this could be a model for new construction.

- There is concern on the Sharp Building interior renovations.
- The Governor sent over a request for someone to be appointed to the National Governors Council of the Abe Lincoln Bicentennial Committee. Ed Zimmer was appointed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.